

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Professional Engineering Practice Act of  
5 1989 is amended by changing Section 8 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 325/8) (from Ch. 111, par. 5208)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2010)

8 Sec. 8. Applications for licensure.

9 (a) Applications for licensure shall (1) be on forms  
10 prescribed and furnished by the Department, (2) contain  
11 statements made under oath showing the applicant's education  
12 and a detailed summary of the applicant's technical work, and  
13 (3) contain references as required by the Department.

14 (b) Applicants shall have obtained the education and  
15 experience as required in Section 10 or Section 11 prior to  
16 submittal of application for examination, except as provided in  
17 subsection (b) of Section 11. Allowable experience shall  
18 commence at the date of the baccalaureate degree, except:

19 (1) Credit for one year of experience shall be given  
20 for a graduate of a baccalaureate curriculum providing a  
21 cooperative program, which is supervised industrial or  
22 field experience of at least one academic year which  
23 alternates with periods of full-time academic training,

1 when such program is certified by the university, or

2 (2) Partial credit may be given for professional  
3 engineering experience as defined by rule for employment  
4 prior to receipt of a baccalaureate degree if the  
5 employment is full-time while the applicant is a part-time  
6 student taking fewer than 12 hours per semester or 8 hours  
7 per quarter to earn the degree concurrent with the  
8 full-time engineering experience.

9 (3) If an applicant files an application and supporting  
10 documents containing a material misstatement of  
11 information or a misrepresentation for the purpose of  
12 obtaining licensure or enrollment or if an applicant  
13 performs any fraud or deceit in taking any examination to  
14 qualify for licensure or enrollment under this Act, the  
15 Department may issue a rule of intent to deny licensure or  
16 enrollment and may conduct a hearing in accordance with  
17 Sections 26 through 33 and Sections 37 and 38 of this Act.

18 The Board may conduct oral interviews of any applicant  
19 under Sections 10, 11, or 19 to assist in the evaluation of the  
20 qualifications of the applicant.

21 It is the responsibility of the applicant to supplement the  
22 application, when requested by the Board, by provision of  
23 additional documentation of education, including transcripts,  
24 course content and credentials of the engineering college or  
25 college granting related science degrees, or of work experience  
26 to permit the Board to determine the qualifications of the

1 applicant. The Department may require an applicant, at the  
2 applicant's expense, to have an evaluation of the applicant's  
3 education in a foreign country by a nationally recognized  
4 educational body approved by the Board in accordance with rules  
5 prescribed by the Department.

6 An applicant who graduated from an engineering program  
7 outside the United States or its territories and whose first  
8 language is not English shall submit certification of passage  
9 of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) ~~and the~~  
10 ~~Test of Spoken English (TSE)~~ as defined by rule.

11 (Source: P.A. 91-92, eff. 1-1-00; 92-145, eff. 1-1-02.)